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# **OBITUARY**

It is with sadness that I announce that Stella Davis has passed away. Our thoughts are with her family at this sad time.

# **COFFEE MORNINGS**

I still have no news to tell you about our coffee mornings, except to say that if all goes to plan, we do stand more chance this year than last year. I am not going to name a month yet as I don't want to jinx anything.

## **CORONAVIRUS UPDATE**

The plan to freedom; We already have schools, colleges etc returning with weekly covid tests. Also, two people can meet to socialise in an open space.

**29 March** Groups of more than six will be allowed to meet, provided only two households are involved.

**12 April** Non-essential retail can open, pubs, restaurants and café's are open for outdoor seating only. Hairdressers and other personal care shops can open. Gyms & indoor leisure can open to household groups. Domestic holidays are restricted to household groups. Outdoor attractions, zoo's, theme parks can also open. Wedding & wakes will be allowed up to 15 people. Children's outdoor activities and indoor activities with up to 15 parents only. Large events everyone will be

17 May Rule of six indoors.
(subject to review) Indoor seating at pubs, restaurants, café's, cinema & theatre may open. Indoor adult sports may open. Overnight stays
(domestic) may resume.
Weddings and other significant events will be allowed up to 30 people.

tested.

**21 June** - Now this is the one we are interested in; Larger events can resume, night clubs etc with 'no legal limit on social contact. – *Hooray!* 

I don't need to remind you all of the above depends on circumstance, we must keep to the rules, however difficult, to keep the virus under control. Don't spoil it now, we have come this far, it would seem silly to stop now. Latest news for all you that have been shielding. We are being set free as of the 01 April 2021 no more shielding, but as you would expect, we do have to be extra careful and follow lockdown regulations. (*This of course, was correct at the time of writing this newsletter.*) Another plus, two new clinical trials to find preventative COVID-19 treatments for the most vulnerable launch in the

most vulnerable launch in the UK. Any treatment proven to be safe and effective will mean people for whom the vaccines are less effective due to lowered immune systems, will have additional protection to prevent infection and more serious illness. There is also a booster vaccine planned for September 2021.

### **Stay Safe Everyone**

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